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-- (WFC), 2ND SESSION

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ROME FOR FODAG

1. WE CONCUR IN FODAG DOUBTS EXPRESSED PARA 1. REFTL
REGARDING (1) AUTHORITY OF CAMARA AND FOFANA TO SPEAK FOR
THEIR GOVERNMENT, AND (2) INFLUENCE OF THESE TWO INDIVIDUALS
IN CONTEXT OF ECOSOC CONSIDERATION OF WFC REPORT. IN ANY
CASE, U.S. POSITION PAPER FOR ECOSOC ON LATTER ISSUE IN-
STRUCTS USDEL TO OPPOSE FIRMLY NEGOTIATION OF G-77 RE-
SOLUTIONS ATTACHED TO REPORT OF THE WORLD FOOD COUNCIL.
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ATTENTION NORRED.)

2. RE YUGOSLAV PROPOSAL REPORTED PARA 2 REFTTEL, OUR REACTION IS POSITIVE. HOWEVER, GIVEN HISTORY OF DC/LDC DIFFERENCES ON PURPOSES OF WFC AND NATURE OF ITS REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS, WE ARE SKEPTICAL THAT YUGOSLAV CAN RALLY G-77 SUPPORT FOR SIMPLE EXTRACTION OF AGREED RECOMMENDATIONS IN REPORT, I.E., FREE OF LANGUAGE CHANGES AND COMPLICATING ADDITIONAL PREAMBULAR CLAUSES. NEVERTHELESS, THIS PROPOSAL AS EXPLAINED REFTTEL WOULD BE CONSISTENT WITH GUIDANCE (PARA 5) CONTAINED IN U.S. POSITION FOR ECOSOC MEETING.

3. CONCERNING SUGGESTION PARA. 3 REFTTEL, IT IS OUR UNDERSTANDING, BASED ON PARA 44 OF FINAL WFC REPORT, THAT THE COUNCIL HAD DECIDED, IN PRINCIPLE, TO HOLD ITS THIRD SESSION IN A DEVELOPING COUNTRY. NOTING THAT INVITATIONS HAD BEEN RECEIVED FROM BOTH MEXICO AND THE PHILIPPINES, THE COUNCIL ENTRUSTED THE DECISION ON THE PLACE TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL IN CONSULTATION WITH THE SYG AND THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE TWO COUNTRIES CONCERNED. HENCE, DECISION ALREADY TAKEN BY WFC IS ALONG LINES SUGGESTED BY YUGOSLAV REPRESENTATIVE AND IS ONE WHICH WE ARE NOT INCLINED TO ATTEMPT TO INFLUENCE OR MODIFY. KISSINGER

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